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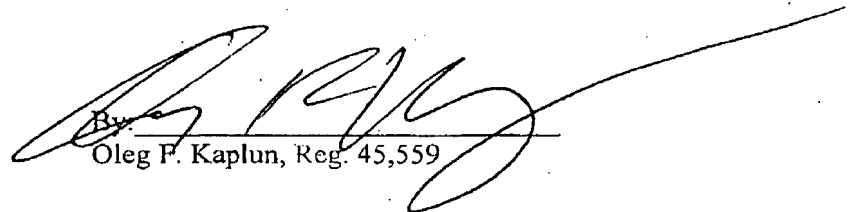
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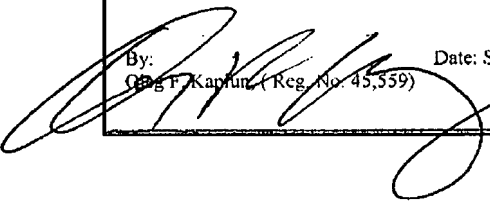
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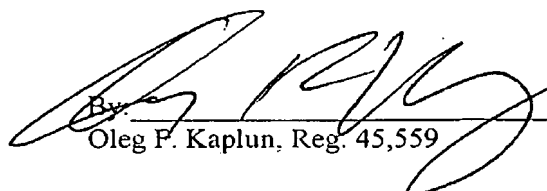
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APPEAL BRIEF UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.37

In support of the notice of appeal filed on July 3, 2007, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R.  
§ 41.37, Appellants present this Appeal Brief in the above-captioned application.

This is an appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the  
Examiner's final rejection of claims 1-14 in the Final Office Action dated April 4, 2007. The  
appealed claims are set forth in the attached Claims Appendix.

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This application is assigned to Philips Electronics North America Corporation, the real party in interest.

2. Related Appeals and Interferences

There are no other appeals or interferences that would directly affect, be directly affected, or have a bearing on the instant appeal.

3. Status of the Claims

Claims 1-14 have been rejected in the Final Office Action. The final rejection of claims 1-14 is being appealed.

4. Status of Amendments

All amendments submitted by Appellants have been entered.

5. Summary of Claimed Subject Matter

The present invention, as recited in independent claim 1, relates to a method of automatic execution of an application on a receiving station (109). The method comprises receiving a signal (102) comprising a plurality of streams. (See Specification, p. 6, ll. 22-24; Fig. 1.) Each stream is associated with a channel on the receiving station (109) and comprises a content portion (103, 104, 105) and zero or more application portions (106, 107, 108). (See *id.*, p. 6, ll. 10-24; Fig. 1.) The method further comprises receiving a channel selection from a user. (See *id.*, p. 6, ll. 22-26.) The method further comprises displaying the content portion (103, 104, 105) of the stream associated with the selected channel. (See *id.*, p. 6, ll. 30-33.) The method further comprises executing an application present in the application portion (106, 107, 108), if any, of the stream associated with the selection channel when execution of applications is enabled. (See *id.*, p. 8, ll. 17-20.) Execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel is disabled in response to the user selecting the channel. (See *id.*, p. 9, ll. 3-7.) Execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel is enabled in response to the occurrence of an enabling event, indicating that the user is actively viewing the selected channel. (See *id.*, p. 9, ll. 8-18.)

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The present invention, as recited in independent claim 6, relates to a receiving station (109). The receiving station (109) comprises a receiving unit (205) for receiving a signal (102) comprising a plurality of streams. (See id., p. 6, ll. 22-24, p. 7, ll. 9-31; Figs. 1-2.) Each stream is associated with a channel on the receiving station (109) and comprises a content portion (103, 104, 105) and zero or more application portions (106, 107, 108). (See id., p. 6, ll. 10-24; Fig. 1.) The receiving station (109) further comprises a selection unit (206) for receiving a channel selection from a user. (See id., p. 8, ll. 3-4; Fig. 2.) The receiving station (109) further comprises a display control unit (207) for displaying the content portion (103, 104, 105) of the stream associated with the selected channel. (See id., ll. 4-10; Fig. 2.) The receiving station (109) further comprises an execution unit (208) for determining if execution of applications is enabled and, if so, executing an application present in the application portion (106, 107, 108), if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel. (See id., 17-20; Fig. 2.) The execution unit (208) is arranged to disable execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel in response to the user selecting the channel. (See id., p. 9, ll. 3-4; Fig. 2.) The execution unit (208) is also arranged to enable execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel in response to the occurrence of an enabling event indicating that the user is actively viewing the selected channel. (See id., p. 9, ll. 8-18; Fig. 2.)

The present invention, as recited in independent claim 11, relates to a method. The method comprises receiving a signal (102) at a receiving station (109). (See id., p. 6, ll. 22-24; Fig. 1.) The signal (102) comprises a plurality of streams. (See id., p. 6, l. 22.; Fig. 1.) The streams are each associated with a different respective channel of the receiving station (109). (See id., p. 6, ll. 22-24; Fig. 1.) One or more of the streams comprise respective application portions (106, 107, 108). (See id., p. 6, ll. 10-12; Fig. 1.) The method further comprises receiving user input of a channel selection. (See id., p. 6, ll. 22-24.) The method further comprises displaying the content portion (103, 104, 105), if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel. (See id., p. 6, ll. 30-33; Fig. 1.) The method further comprises executing an application present in the application portion (106, 107, 108), if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel. (See id., p. 6, ll. 27-30; Fig. 1.) The execution of the application present in the application portion (106, 107, 108) depends on a period of time without user input following the channel selection. (See id., p. 9, ll. 19-34; Fig. 1.)

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The present invention, as recited in independent claim 12, relates to a receiving station (109). The receiving station comprises a receiving unit (205) for receiving a signal (102) comprising a plurality of streams. (See id., p. 7, ll. 31-33; Fig. 2.) The streams are each associated with a channel of the receiving station (109). (See id., p. 6, ll. 22-24; Fig. 1.) One or more of the streams each comprises a different respective content portion (103, 104, 105). (See id., p. 6, ll. 10-12; Fig. 1.) One or more of the streams each comprises a different respective application portion (106, 107, 108). (See id., p. 6, ll. 10-12; Fig. 1.) The receiving station (109) further comprises a selection unit (206) for receiving user input including a channel selection. (See id., p. 8, ll. 4-5; Fig. 2) The receiving station (109) further comprises a display control unit (207) for displaying the content portion of the stream, if any, associated with the selected channel. (See id., p. 8, ll. 4-10; Fig. 2.) The receiving station (109) further comprises an execution unit (208) for executing an application present in the application portion (106, 107, 108), if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel. (See id., p. 8, ll. 17-19; Fig. 2.) The execution depends on a period of time without user input following the channel selection. (See id., p. 9, ll. 19-34; Fig. 2.)

6. Grounds of Rejection to be Reviewed on Appeal

- I. Whether claims 1, 3-6 and 8-14 are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,205,485 to Kikinis (hereinafter "Kikinis").
- II. Whether claims 2 and 7 are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Kikinis in view of U.S. Pat. Pub. 2002/0056086 to Yuen (hereinafter "Yuen").

7. Argument

- I. The Rejection of Claims 1, 3-6 and 8-14 Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) Should Be Reversed.

A. The Examiner's Rejection

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 3-6 and 8-14 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by Kikinis. (See 4/4/07 Office Action, pp. 2-4.)

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Kikinis teaches a set-top box (STB) 121 receiver that receives data streams containing specially marked WEB pages with tags that convey commands for the STB to accomplish a number of unique functions. (See Kikinis, col. 4, ll. 20-24, 38-43.) Kikinis describes one type of tag which, when acted upon by the STB, allows for the display of links from the WEB page on TV 122, the selection of such a link causing the TV to change channels. (See *id.*, col. 4, ll. 44-47.) According to Kikinis, the WEB page links can be any type of display indicia. (See *id.*, col. 4, ll. 48-49.) The Kikinis system utilizes an input apparatus such as an infrared remote controller for the user to select the links in a link program schedule matrix. (See *id.*, col. 4, ll. 55-63.) In response to the user selecting the link, the CPU of the STB 121 initiates the TV 122 tuner to switch the channel on which the selected program is broadcast. (See *id.*, col. 4, ll. 63-65.) In addition to providing streaming video previews, Kikinis also describes a virtual 3D "ProgramScape," which enables the user to view the content of their selected programming as representations of figurines in a 3D virtual environment. (See *id.*, col. 6, ll. 22-32.)

- B. Kikinis Does Not Describe When Execution Of Applications Is Enabled, Executing An Application Present In The Application Portion (106, 107, 108), If Any, Of The Stream Associated With The Selected Channel, Characterized In That Execution Of The Application Of The Stream associated With The Channel Is Disabled In Response To The User Selecting The Channel, And Execution Of The Application Of The Stream Associated With The Channel Is Enabled In Response To The Occurrence Of An Enabling Event, Indicating That The User Is Actively Viewing The Selected Channel As Recited In Claim 1.

Claim 1 recites "[a] method of automatic execution of an application on a receiving station (109), comprising receiving a signal (102) comprising a plurality of streams, each stream being associated with a channel on the receiving station (109) and comprising a content portion (103, 104, 105) and zero or more application portions (106, 107, 108), receiving a channel selection from a user, displaying the content portion (103, 104, 105) of the stream associated with the selected channel, and *when execution of applications is enabled, executing an application present in the application portion (106, 107, 108), if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel, characterized in that execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel is disabled in response to the user selecting the channel, and execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel is enabled in response to*



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*the occurrence of an enabling event, indicating that the user is actively viewing the selected channel.”*

The Examiner asserted, in the Final Office Action, that Kikinis discloses “when execution of applications is enabled, executing an application present in the application portion (106, 107, 108), if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel, characterized in that execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel is disabled in response to the user selecting the channel, and execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel is enabled in response to the occurrence of an enabling event, indicating that the user is actively viewing the selected channel,” as recited in claim 1. (See 4/4/07 Office Action, p. 3.) This assertion was reaffirmed in the Advisory Action. (See 6/26/07 Advisory Action, p. 2.)

However, Appellants submit that Kikinis does not disclose this limitation of claim 1. According to Kikinis, once a user selects a WEB link, the CPU of the STB 121 automatically executes the WEB application and initiates the TV 122 tuner to select the channel on which the selected program is broadcast. (See Kikinis, col. 4, ll. 62-65.) Kikinis’ simultaneous operation of both TV programming and WEB browsing results in STB execution of applications and downloads from WEB links that are not pertinent to the user’s viewing desires. Under the method described by the Kikinis reference, an STB cache will always be receiving WEB link data, even if the channel to which the data pertains is not the channel the viewer ultimately decides to view. In Kikinis, if a user selects a channel, the WEB link applications are enabled. (See *id.*, col. 4, l. 68 – col. 5, l. 7.) Kikinis lacks any teaching regarding the disabling of WEB link applications. The Examiner continues to assert that Kikinis teaches disabling but never points to a single disclosure in Kikinis that teaches disabling. While the Examiner points to specific portions of Kikinis that purportedly teach enabling of applications, there is no specific citation to disabling of the applications. The reason for the lack of citation is clear: Kikinis contains no disclosure of disabling.

The Examiner does state that “upon interacting to the icon, indicia, text, 3D dynamic figure, etc., the icon, indicia, etc., disappears.” (4/4/07 Office Action, p. 3.) However, Appellants can see no relevance of this statement to the recitation in claim 1 of “execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel is disabled in response to the user selecting the channel.” The disappearance of an icon has nothing to do with the selection of a channel by the user.

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Providing users the ability to disable and enable application streaming associated with a channel creates greater control of the user's viewing experience and eliminates wasted storage space and bandwidth that might otherwise be devoted to unwanted applications. The enabling and disabling features also allow users to rapidly change channels without incurring the data storage costs of application stream data pertaining to channels that were merely passed over by the user. Accordingly, Kikinis neither teaches nor suggests "execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel is disabled in response to the user selecting the channel," as recited in claim 1, and therefore this rejection should be overturned. Because claims 3-5 and 13 depend from, and, therefore, include all of the limitations of claim 1, Appellants respectfully submit that these claims are also allowable for at least the reasons stated above.

- C. Kikinis Does Not Describe An Execution Unit (208) For Determining If Execution Of Applications Is Enabled, And If So, Executing An Application Present In The Application Portion (106, 107, 108), If Any, Of The Stream Associated With The Selected Channel, Characterized In That The Execution Unit (208) Is Arranged To Disable Execution Of The Application Of The Stream Associated With The Channel In Response To The User Selecting The Channel, And The Execution Unit (208) Is Arranged To Enable Execution Of The Application Of The Stream Associated With The Channel In Response To The Occurrence Of An Enabling Event, Indicating That The User Is Actively Viewing The Selected Channel As Recited In Claim 6.

Claim 6 recites substantially the same limitations as claim 1, including "an execution unit (208) for determining if execution of applications is enabled, and if so, executing an application present in the application portion (106, 107, 108), if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel, characterized in that *the execution unit (208) is arranged to disable execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel in response to the user selecting the channel*, and the execution unit (208) is arranged to enable execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel in response to the occurrence of an enabling event, indicating that the user is actively viewing the selected channel." Appellants respectfully submit that Kikinis does not disclose this limitation for the reasons discussed above with reference to claim 1. Accordingly, this rejection should be overturned. Because claims 8-

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10 and 14 depend from, and, therefore, include all of the limitations of claim 6, it is respectfully submitted that these claims are also allowable for at least the reasons stated above.

D. Kikinis Does Not Describe Depending On A Period Of Time Without User Input Following The Channel Selection, Executing An Application Present In The Application Portion, If Any, Of The Stream Associated With The Selected Channel As Recited In Claim 11.

Claim 11 recites “[a] method, comprising receiving a signal at a receiving station, the signal comprising a plurality of streams, a plurality of the streams each being associated with a different respective channel of the receiving station, one or more streams comprising respective content portions and one or more streams comprising a respective application portions; receiving user input of a channel selection, displaying the content portion, if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel, and *depending on a period of time without user input following the channel selection, executing an application present in the application portion, if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel.*”

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner only manages to muster the following with regard to claim 11: “As to claim 11, the claimed ‘A method comprising...’ contains the same structural elements as recited in claim 1.” (See 4/4/07 Office Action, p. 4.) Claim 11 specifically recites “depending on a period of time without user input following the channel selection, executing an application present in the application portion, if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel.” Kikinis fails to describe any delay before executing a WEB application after selecting a channel. Rather, as described above, once a user selects a WEB link, the CPU of the STB 121 automatically executes the WEB application and initiates the TV 122 tuner to select the channel on which the selected program is broadcast. (See *id.*, col. 4, ll. 62-65.) Any further action taken in Kikinis is directly in response to a user input and not “a period of time,” as recited in claim 11. As a consequence of this lack of disclosure, the Examiner does not even attempt to point out a disclosure of a time delay in Kikinis. Accordingly, Appellants respectfully submit that this rejection should be overturned.

E. Kikinis Does Not Describe An Execution Unit For Executing An Application Present In The Application Portion, If Any, Of The Stream Associated With The Selected Channel, Depending On A Period Of Time

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Without User Input Following The Channel Selection As Recited In  
Claim 12.

Claim 12 recites similar limitations to claim 11, including “an execution unit for executing an application present in the application portion, if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel, depending on a period of time without user input following the channel selection.” Appellants submit that Kikinis does not disclose such an execution unit for the reasons discussed above with reference to claim 11. Accordingly, Appellants respectfully submit that this rejection should be overturned.

II. The Rejection of Claims 2 and 7 Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) Should Be Reversed.

A. The Examiner’s Rejection

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 2 and 7 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Kikinis in view of Yuen. (See 4/4/07 Office Action, p. 4.) This rejection was reaffirmed in the Advisory Action. (See 6/26/07 Advisory Action, p. 2.)

Yuen describes the monitoring of a user’s channel change operations to infer program or commercial preferences, preferably without the user being aware that their interactions are being monitored for such purposes. (See Yuen, p. 2, ¶¶ [0015]-[0016].) According to Yuen, user information is always being gathered such as the user’s interaction with viewing entries selected for immediate viewing, future recording, and those selected for further information. (See *id.*, p. 2, ¶ [0016].) The Yuen reference describes that the gathering of the user’s information may be based on the time during which the user interacts with the schedule guide. (See *id.*)

B. Kikinis And Yuen, Alone Or In Combination, Do Not Disclose Or Suggest Every Element Of Claims 2 And 7.

Yuen lacks any teaching or description of the enabling and disabling of application streams and thus fails to cure the defects of Kikinis. Like the invention of Kikinis, Yuen is constantly gathering information regarding the user’s interaction with a program

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schedule guide. Thus, for the same reasons cited above with respect to Kikinis, the system storage of Yuen will be unduly burdened with application data that has nothing to do with the user's ultimate viewing preference. Therefore, Yuen fails to teach or describe "when execution of applications is enabled, executing an application present in the application portion (106, 107, 108), if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel, characterized in that execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel is disabled in response to the user selecting the channel, and execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel is enabled in response to the occurrence of an enabling event, indicating that the user is actively viewing the selected channel," as recited in claim 1. Accordingly, Kikinis and Yuen, alone or in combination, neither disclose nor suggest this limitation. Therefore, Appellants respectfully submit that the rejection of claim 2, which depends from, and, therefore, includes all of the limitations of claim 1, should be overturned.

Similarly, Appellants submit that Kikinis and Yuen, alone or in combination, neither disclose nor suggest "an execution unit (208) for determining if execution of applications is enabled, and if so, executing an application present in the application portion (106, 107, 108), if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel, characterized in that the execution unit (208) is arranged to disable execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel in response to the user selecting the channel, and the execution unit (208) is arranged to enable execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel in response to the occurrence of an enabling event, indicating that the user is actively viewing the selected channel," as recited in claim 6. Therefore, Appellants respectfully submit that the rejection of claim 7, which depends from, and, therefore, includes all of the limitations of claim 6, should be overturned.

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8. Conclusion

For the reasons set forth above, Appellants respectfully request that the Board reverse the rejection of the claims by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), and indicate that claims 1-14 are allowable.

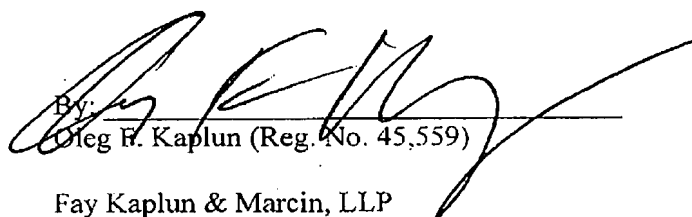
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### CLAIMS APPENDIX

1. (Previously presented) A method of automatic execution of an application on a receiving station (109), comprising:

receiving a signal (102) comprising a plurality of streams, each stream being associated with a channel on the receiving station (109) and comprising a content portion (103, 104, 105) and zero or more application portions (106, 107, 108),

receiving a channel selection from a user,

displaying the content portion (103, 104, 105) of the stream associated with the selected channel, and

when execution of applications is enabled, executing an application present in the application portion (106, 107, 108), if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel, characterized in that

execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel is disabled in response to the user selecting the channel, and

execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel is enabled in response to the occurrence of an enabling event, indicating that the user is actively viewing the selected channel.

2. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that a timer is reset in response to any user interaction with the receiving station (109), and the enabling event comprises the timer reaching a predetermined timeout value.

3. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the enabling event comprises erasing an on-screen display element (202, 203, 204) from a display system (200).

4. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that the on-screen display element (202, 203, 204) is an identifier (202) for the current channel.

5. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that the on-screen display element (202, 203, 204) is the last of a plurality of on-screen display elements being displayed.

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6. (Previously presented) A receiving station (109), comprising
  - a receiving unit (205) for receiving a signal (102) comprising a plurality of streams, each stream being associated with a channel on the receiving station (109) and comprising a content portion (103, 104, 105) and zero or more application portions (106, 107, 108),
  - a selection unit (206) for receiving a channel selection from a user,
  - a display control unit (207) for displaying the content portion (103, 104, 105) of the stream associated with the selected channel, and
  - an execution unit (208) for determining if execution of applications is enabled, and if so, executing an application present in the application portion (106, 107, 108), if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel, characterized in that
    - the execution unit (208) is arranged to disable execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel in response to the user selecting the channel, and
    - the execution unit (208) is arranged to enable execution of the application of the stream associated with the channel in response to the occurrence of an enabling event, indicating that the user is actively viewing the selected channel.
7. (Original) A receiving station (109) as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that the receiving station (109) comprises a timer (209), arranged to be reset in response to any user interaction with the receiving station (109), and the enabling event comprises the timer (209) reaching a predetermined timeout value.
8. (Original) A receiving station (109) as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that the receiving station (109) comprises an on-screen display unit (201), and the enabling event comprises the on-screen display unit (201) erasing an on-screen display element (202, 203, 204) from a display system (200).
9. (Original) A receiving station (109) as claimed in claim 8, characterized in that the on-screen display element (202, 203, 204) is an identifier for the current channel (202).



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10. (Original) A receiving station (109) as claimed in claim 8, characterized in that the on-screen display element (202, 203, 204) is the last of a plurality of on-screen display elements being displayed by the on-screen display unit (201).

11. (Previously presented) A method, comprising  
receiving a signal at a receiving station, the signal comprising a plurality of streams, a plurality of the streams each being associated with a different respective channel of the receiving station, one or more streams comprising respective content portions and one or more streams comprising a respective application portions;  
receiving user input of a channel selection,  
displaying the content portion, if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel,  
and  
depending on a period of time without user input following the channel selection,  
executing an application present in the application portion, if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel.

12. (Previously presented) A receiving station, comprising  
a receiving unit for receiving a signal comprising a plurality of streams, a plurality of streams each being associated with a channel of the receiving station, one of more of the streams each comprising a different respective content portion, one or more of the streams each comprising a different respective application portion,  
a selection unit for receiving user input including a channel selection,  
a display control unit for displaying the content portion of the stream, if any, associated with the selected channel, and  
an execution unit for executing an application present in the application portion, if any, of the stream associated with the selected channel, depending on a period of time without user input following the channel selection.

13. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein execution of all applications is disabled in response to the user selecting the channel.

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14. (Previously presented) The receiving station of claim 6 wherein the execution unit is arranged to disable execution of all applications in response to the user selecting the channel.

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**EVIDENCE APPENDIX**

No evidence has been submitted herewith or is relied upon in the present appeal.

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**RELATED PROCEEDINGS APPENDIX**

There are no related proceedings or decisions that relate to the present appeal.